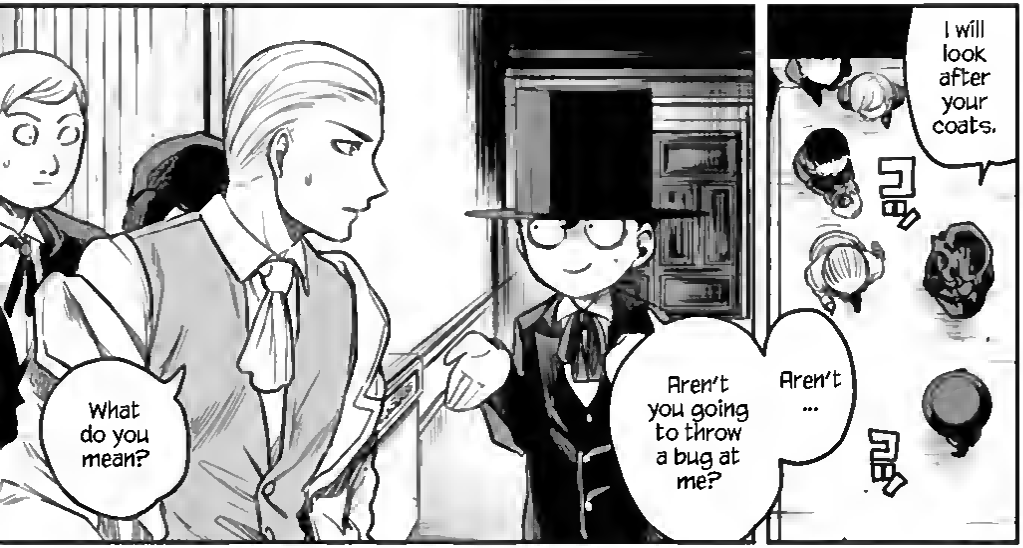
The Duke of Death and His Black Maid
Chapter 3: Guest

Hey, long time no see, Philip.

Pardon me.
He-
hey...


I will look after your coats.
Aren't ...
Aren't you going to throw a bug at me?
What do you mean?

Didn't you always play pranks on me?
!?
I only know the mischievous you,
so it seems like you've become oddly composed...

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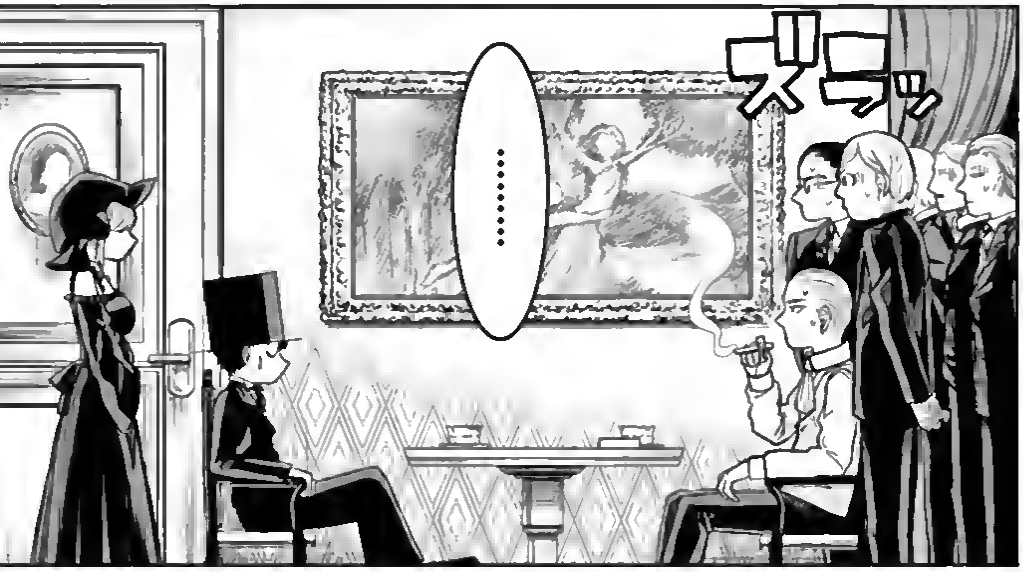
As time passed, I forgot about the past, but...
I apologize.

4 Note They say "chama" instead of "sama" for their master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Since I put all my hopes into this
this interaction's pretty hard to bear.

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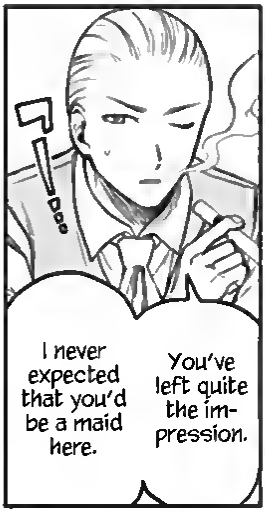
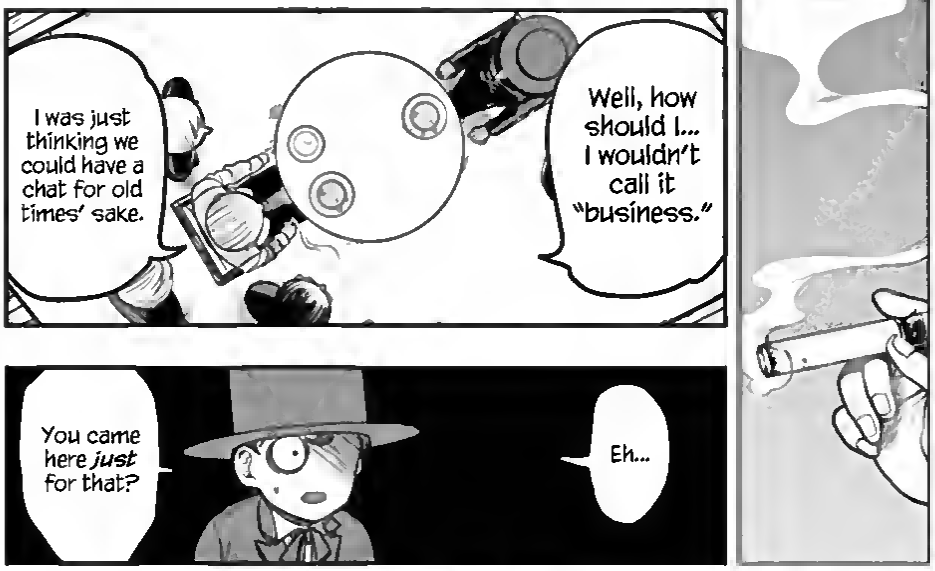

I never expected that you'd be a maid here.
You've left quite the impression.

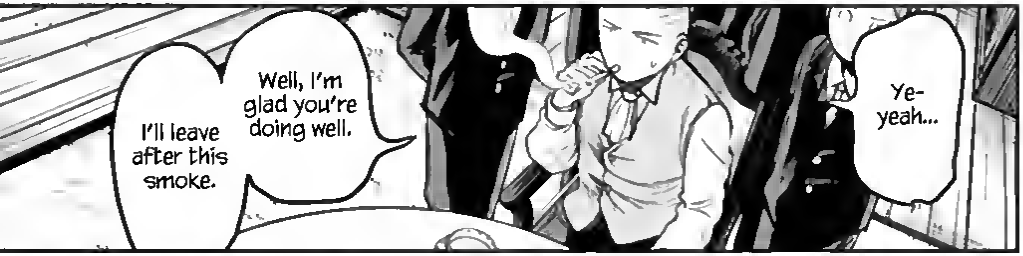
Yeah.
Do you remember me?

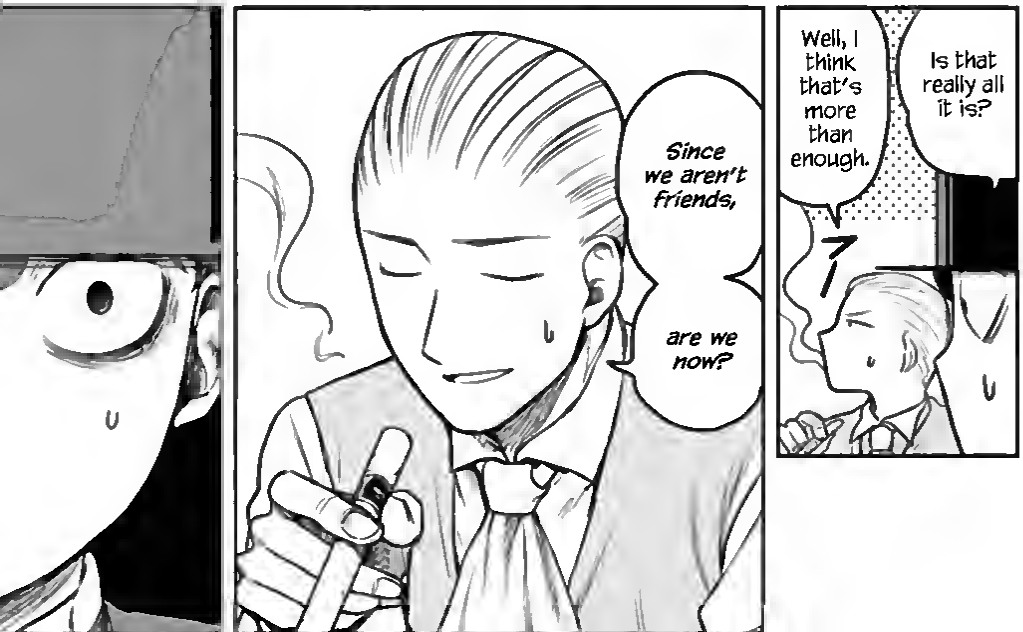
Daughter of the Chief Maid.

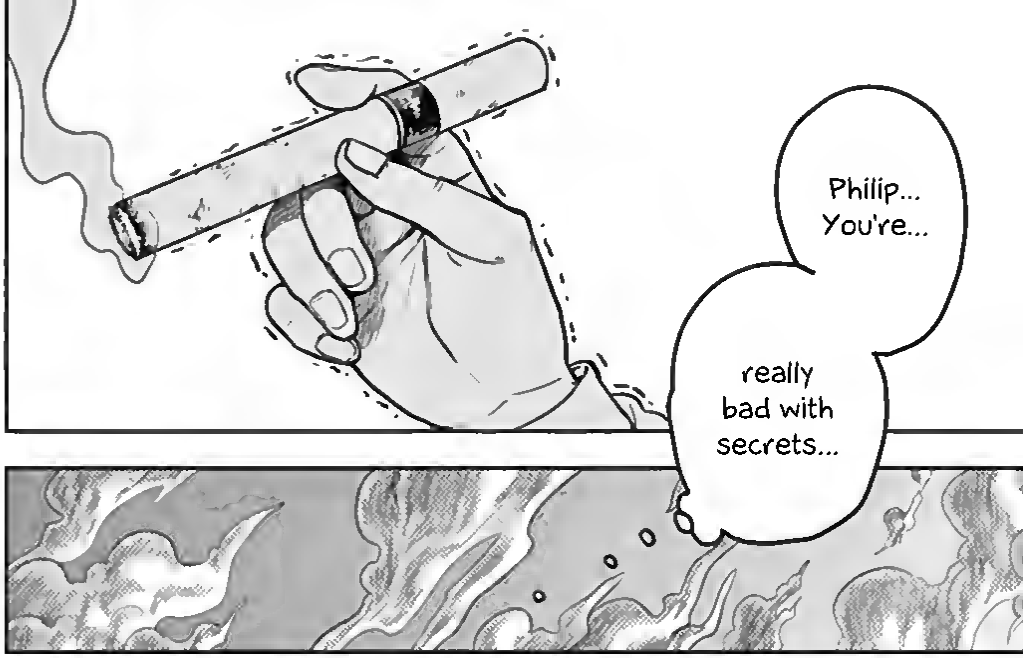
It is a privilege to be recognized.
Yet he doesn't remember his time with me...

Ah... Sorry.
What purpose did you come here for?
Hey Philip!!
Just why are you in a place like this-

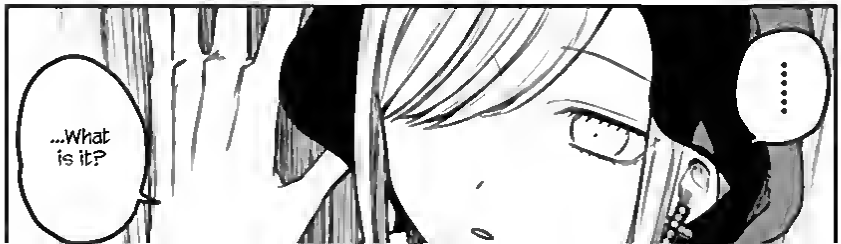

I was just thinking we could have a chat for old times' sake.
Well, how should I... I wouldn't call it "business."
You came here *just* for that?
Eh...


I'll leave after this smoke.
Well, I'm glad you're doing well.
Ye-yeah...


Since we aren't friends,
are we now?
Well, I think that's more than enough.
Is that really all it is?


Philip...
You're...
really bad with secrets...

Come to think of it, where's Philip?
Are you guys leaving already?
It appears the horses are prepared for departure.
Ye... yes.


...What is it?
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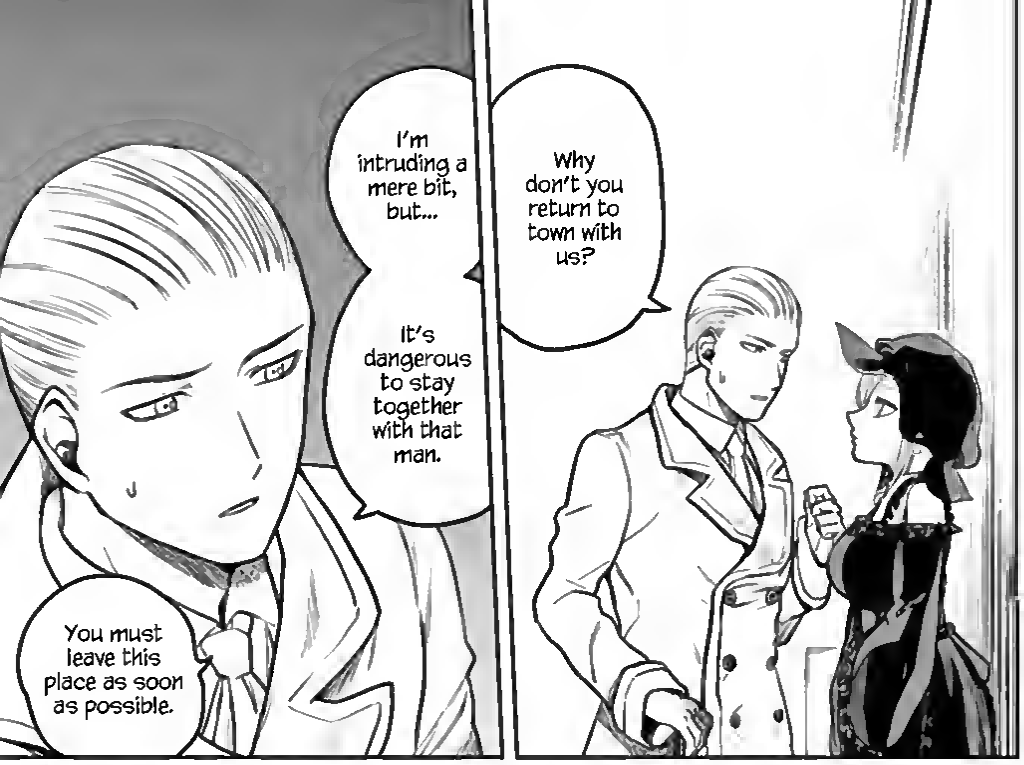
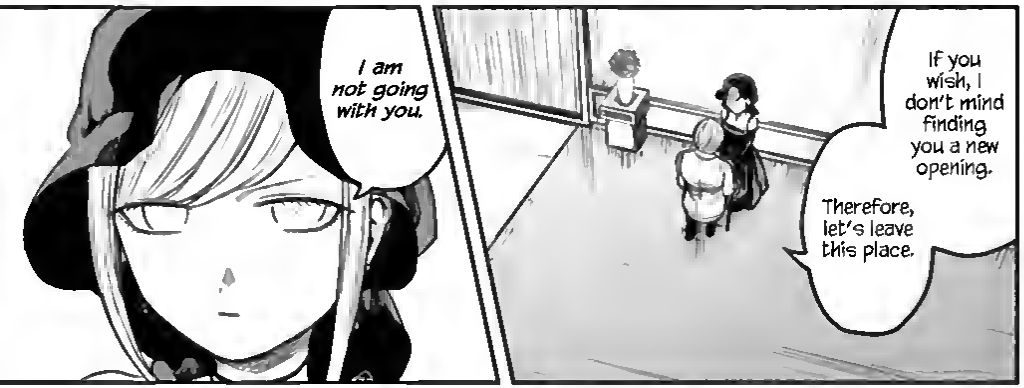
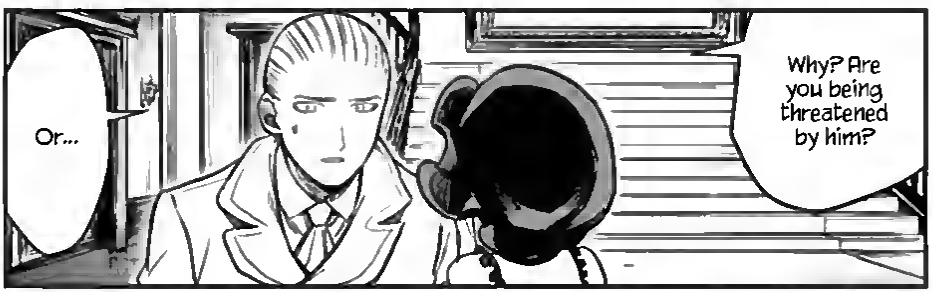

I'm intruding a mere bit, but...
It's dangerous to stay together with that man.
You must leave this place as soon as possible.
Why don't you return to town with us?





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Don't you dare say anything troubling to her!
I couldn't care less if you're rude to me, but-
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Philip!!
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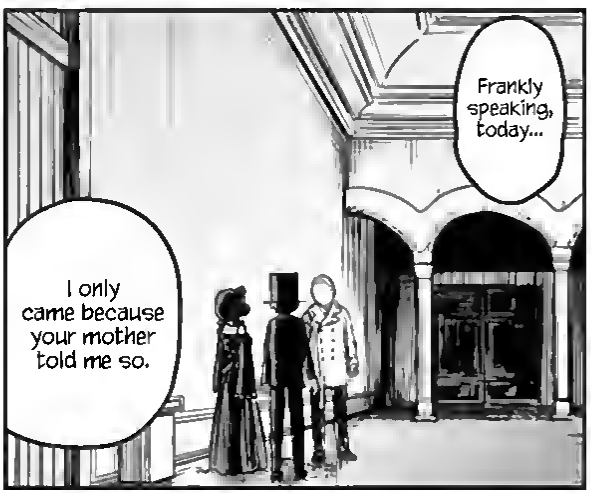
I won't let it slide if it's towards her!
My Duke, please calm down.
St-stop...
Stay away from me...!!
Eek-

You mon-ster ...!!


Frankly speaking, today...
I only came because your mother told me so.

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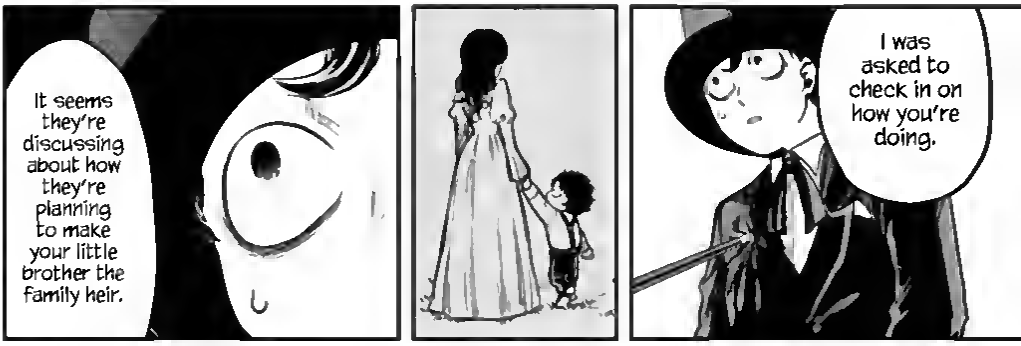
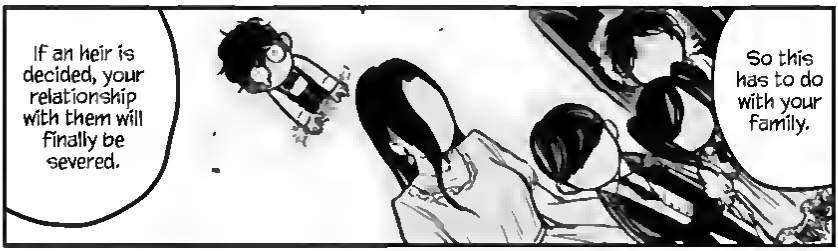
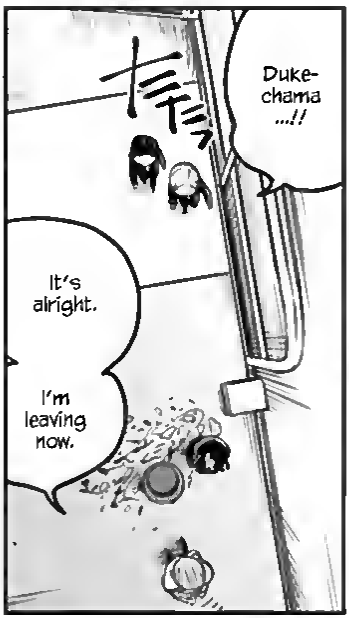
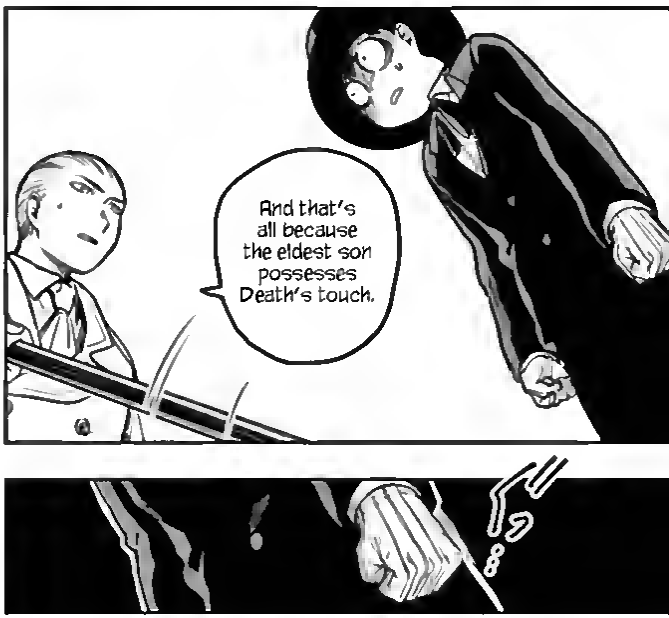
I didn't want to come to a place like this...

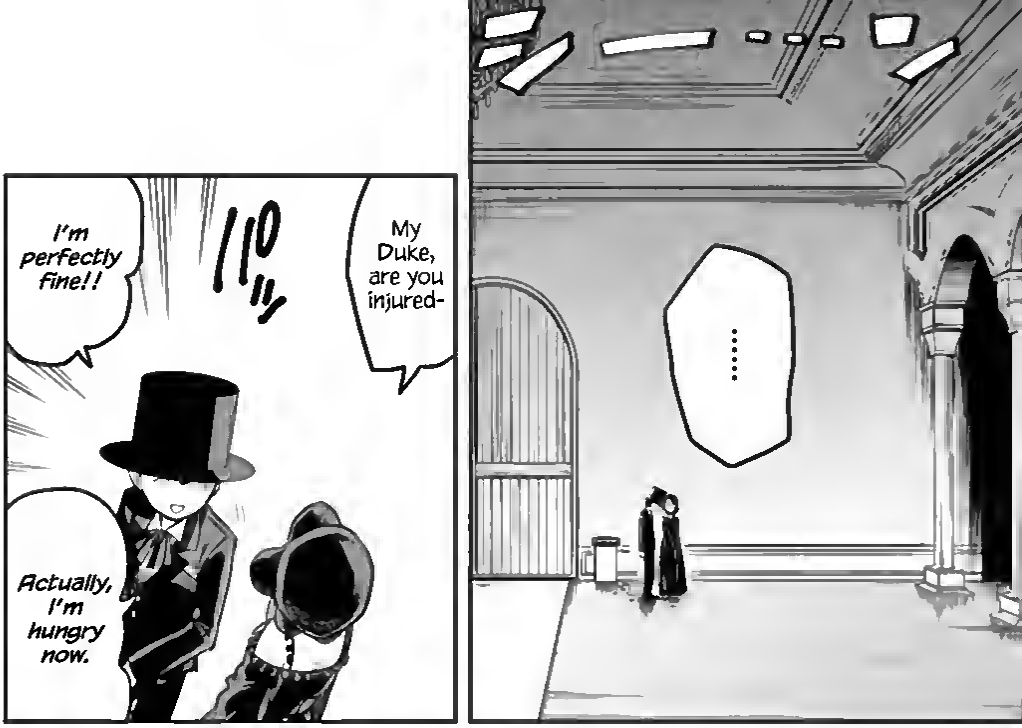

It seems they're discussing about how they're planning to make your little brother the family heir.
I was asked to check in on how you're doing.


If an heir is decided, your relationship with them will finally be severed.
So this has to do with your family.


Duke-chama ...!!
It's alright.
I'm leaving now.


And that's all because the eldest son possesses Death's touch.

I fear you, but...
I find you pitiful, too.
I apologize for everything.
Telling you the truth is my way of atoning.
come here.
I will no longer...
Fare-well.


My Duke, are you injured-
I'm perfectly fine!!
Actually, I'm hungry now.
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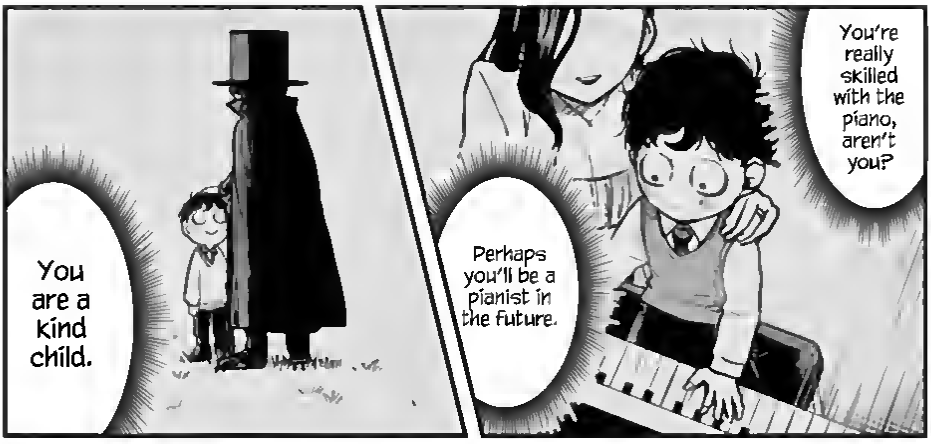
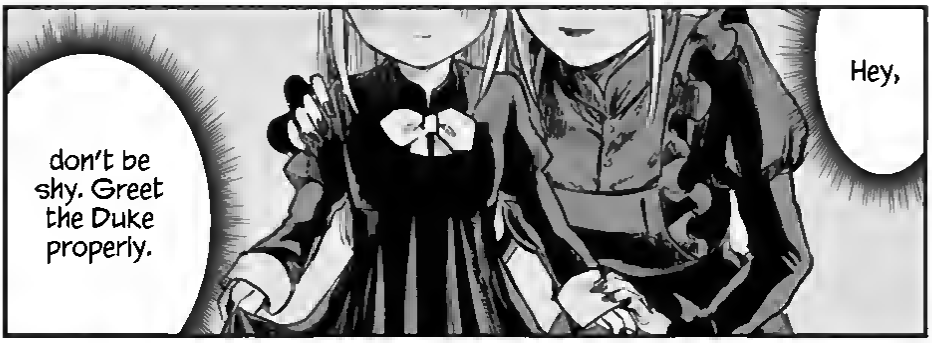
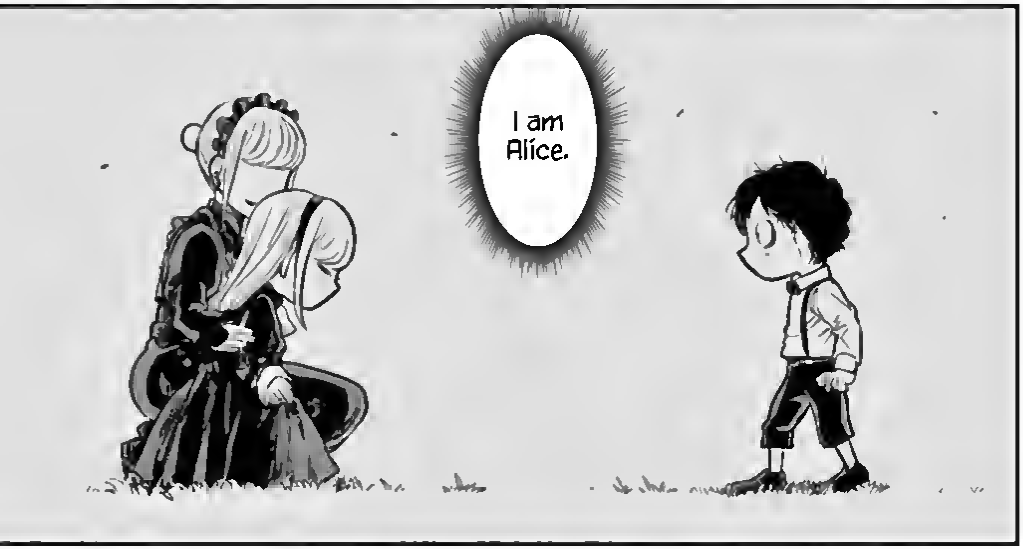
Call me once you've prepared the food.
Well then!!

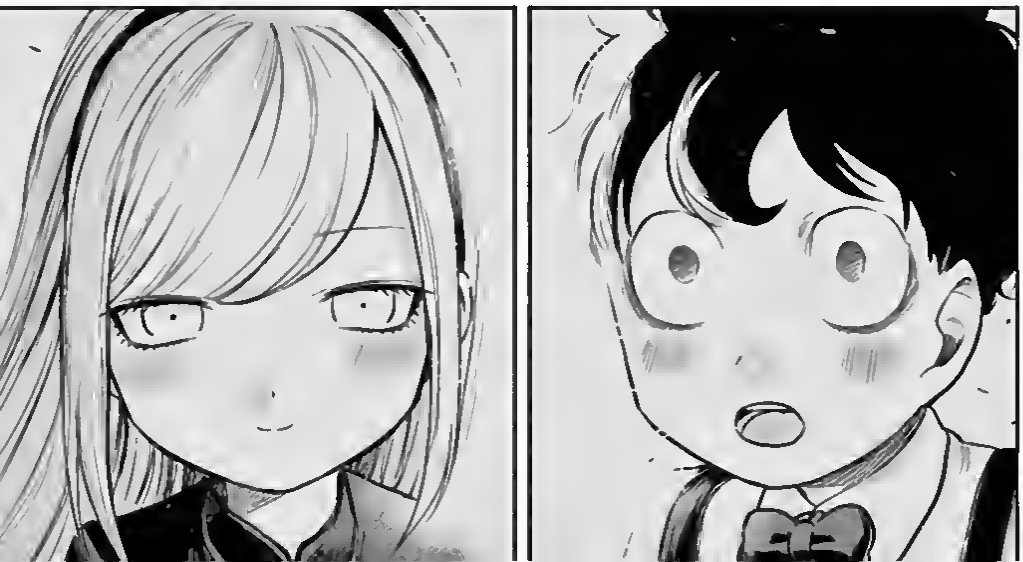
My Duke...


You are a kind child.
Perhaps you'll be a pianist in the future.
You're really skilled with the piano, aren't you?

Let's play again!
We'll always be friends!!
I'm Philip. What about you?


Hey,
don't be shy. Greet the Duke properly.


I am Alice.



My family will accept me.
They will not accept me.
Alice likes me.
It will not be cured.
This constitution will be cured.
I'm a useless human being.
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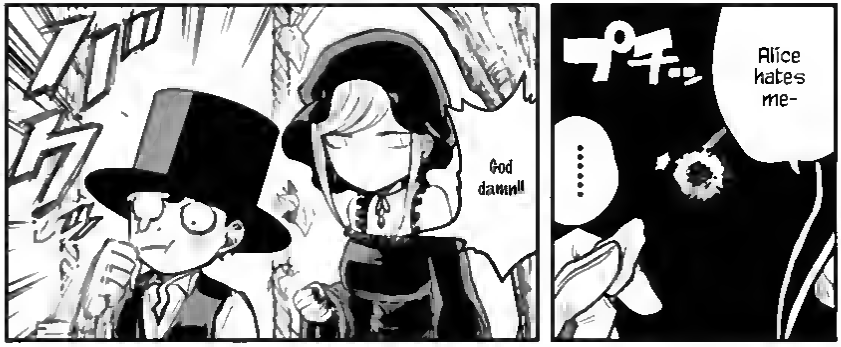
プチ…
I'm not a useless human being.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God damn!!
プチ…
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Alice hates me-

Alice...
!!
What are you doing, my Duke?

Your dinner has been prepared.
Are you feeling better?
Ah... Yeah.
I'm useless.
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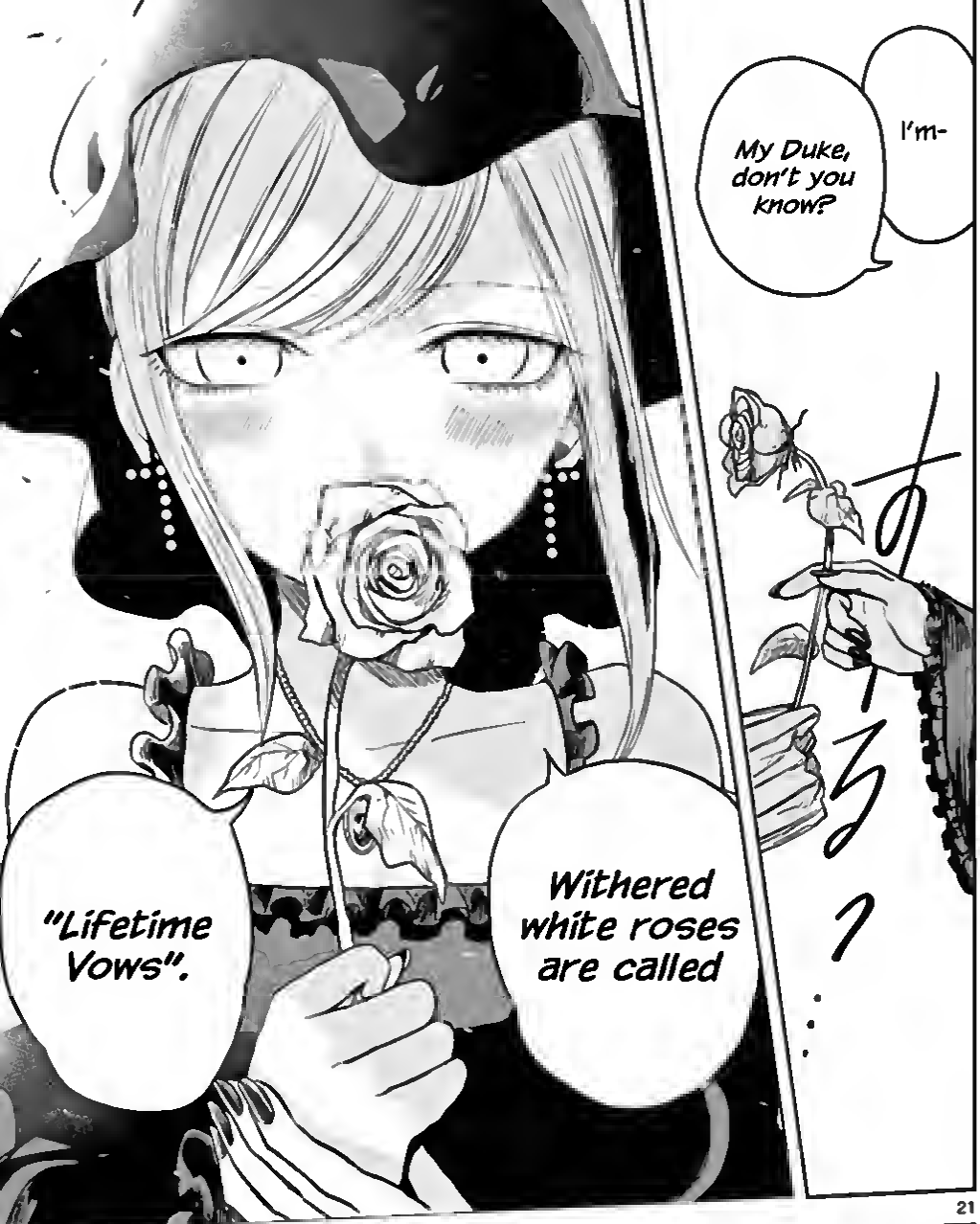
If I didn't have you, I'd only be thinking about unsettling things
The future me... The past me...
I don't have confidence in anything.
I'm sure even you'd hate this kind of me.

I'm forced to stay home everyday to care for my mother who has been sick for over 15 years
If you love my releases please consider donating at KireiCake.com to support our livelihood
All proceeds go towards offsetting her medical fees Thank you very much for reading!

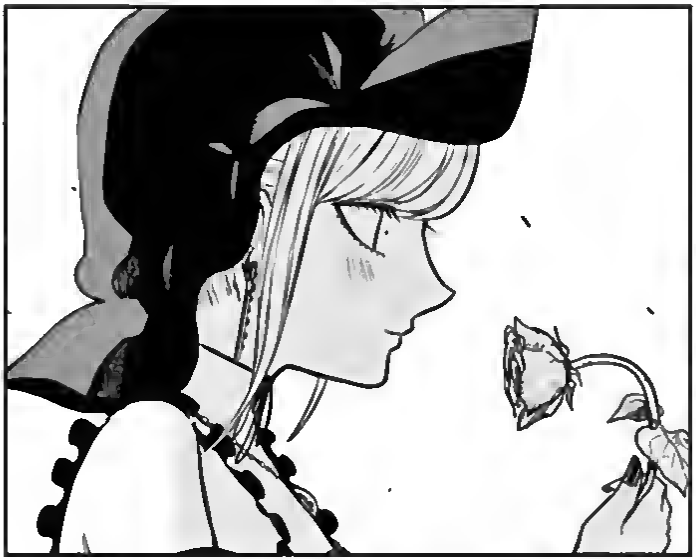
Well then, if my Duke would head into the mansion...
Let's play over there.
Mother told me not to go together with this guy.
That child is practically Death itself.

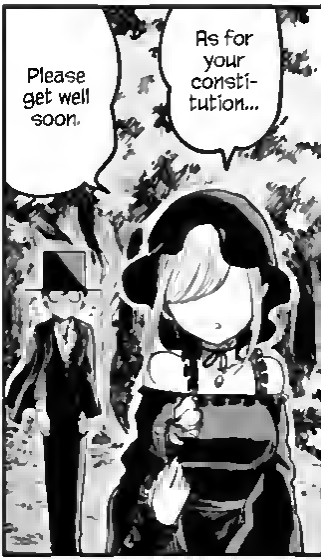
Huh...?
I feel like I just don't have the right to love you.

Even though I want to give presents, flowers immediately end up withering.
I don't know your body temperature or the warmth of your tears.
Since I can't touch you,

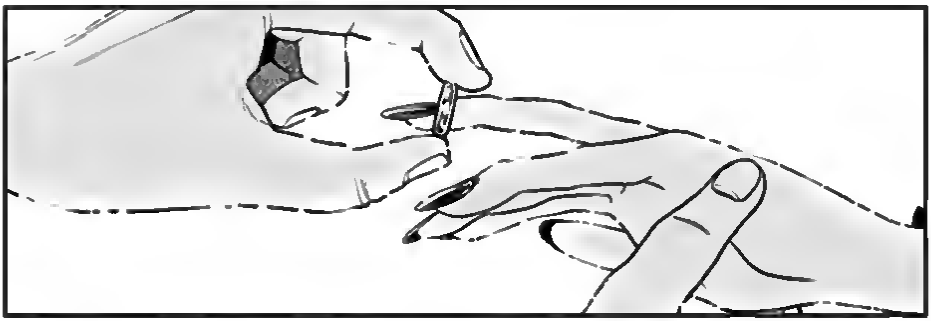

I'm-
My Duke, don't you know?
Withered white roses are called
"Lifetime Vows".

As a present, this is more than enough.





I will put a ring on your finger



with these hands of mine.

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